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- 1. SUMMARY. THIS CABLE PROVIDES BACKGROUND AND GUIDANCE FOR POSTS IN REPORTING ON THE COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT AND THEIR HOST GOVERNMENT'S PARTICIPATION IN IT. END SUMMARY.
- 2. THE COLOMBO SUMMIT IS IMPORTANT TO US BOTH TACTICALLY FOR OUR KEY MULTILATERAL ISSUES IN THE UNGA AND STRATEGICALLY IN THE LONGER TERM TO OUR RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN MULTILATERAL FORUMS. WE EXPECT THE COLOMBO SUMMIT TO ACCEPT THE ARRANGEMENT AGREED AT THE 1975 LIMA MEETING IN WHICH CUBA ABANDONED OBJECTION TO SRI LANKA'S HOSTSHIP IN 1976 IN RETURN FOR A CONSENSUS IN FAVOR OF HAVANA AS SITE FOR THE 1979 NAM SUMMIT. SRI LANKA AND ITS SUPPORTERS INTEND TO REESTABLISH, SO FIRMLY AS TO PREVENT REVERSAL BY CUBA, NAM PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES BASED ON RESPECT FOR THE DIVERSITY OF NAM MEMBERS, FREEDOM FOR FULL

EXPRESSION OF ALL VIEWS IN ACHIEVING NAM CONSENSUS POSITION IN OPEN AND FLEXIBLE DELIBERATIONS, AND FIRST PRIORITY FOR ECONOMIC ISSUES. THE COLOMBO SUMMIT WILL BE THE FIRST, AND MOST IMPORTANT INDICATION OF THE SUCCESS WHICH THE SRI LANKA GROUP IS LIKELY TO HAVE IN DOING THIS--A QUESTION WHICH THE FLACCID SRI LANKAN PERFORMANCE AT ALGIERS CONFIDENTIAL

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HAS PLACED IN DOUBT. WE WILL WANT TO BE ABLE TO MAKE A CLEAR ASSESSMENT OF THIS FROM THE REPORTING FROM COLOMBO AND FROM THOSE POSTS WHICH ARE ABLE TO DEBRIEF THEIR HOSTS' DELEGATIONS TO THE SUMMIT.

3. FOLLOWING POINTS ARE PROVIDED TO ASSIST POSTS IN ARRANGING THESE DEBRIEFINGS, AND DESCRIBE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SUMMIT MAY CONSIDER KEY

ISSUES.

A. KEY ISSUES:

PUERTO RICO - HOW DID CUBA ORGANIZE ITS EFFORT
ON PUERTO RICO AT THE SUMMIT? WHO WERE ITS SUPPORTERS?
IN NOW UNLIKELY EVENT CASTRO ATTENDS SUMMIT, DID HE
PUSH PUERTO RICO ISSUE PERSONALLY IN HIS CONTACTS WITH
OTHER HEADS OF STATE? WAS THERE A CUBAN EFFORT TO
GET THE INDEPENDISTAS RE-INSTATED AS OBSERVERS? WHAT
WAS THE OPPOSITION TO THE CUBAN EFFORT?

KOREA - WHAT WERE THE DPRK'S TACTICS? WHAT WAS THE EFFECT OF KIM IL-SUNG'S ABSENCE? WHAT WERE THE ATTITUDES OF THE NAM MEMBERS TOWARD THE DPRK?

MIDDLE EAST - IF AN EFFORT IS MADE TO RAISE SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL FROM THE UN, WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FULL DETAILS, INCLUDING PROPONENTS, DIVISIONS AMONG THE ARABS, STRATEGY OF THE EFFORT. ON ZIONISM/RACISM, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT EFFORTS WERE MADE TO TONE DOWN THE ALGIERS LANGUAGE AND WHETHER THERE WAS A TRADE-OFF BETWEEN ACCEPTANCE OF ENDORSEMENT OF ZIONISM/RACISM AND REJECTION OF SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL FROM THE UN.

PANAMA CANAL - PANAMANIAN LEADER TORRIJOS IS AT THE SUMMIT AND WILL ADDRESS IT.
WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW HIS PUBLIC STANCE ON THE CANAL QUESTION AT THE SUMMIT COMPARES TO THE POSITION PANAMA TAKES ON THE ISSUE BEHIND THE SCENES.

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PERSONALITIES. A NUMBER OF HEADS OF STATE
PRESENT--CASTRO (IF HE ATTENDS), TITO,
QADDAFI--WILL BE, EVEN UNDER THE TIGHT SECURITY IN
COLOMBO, RELATIVELY MORE OPEN TO OBSERVATION THAN
IS USUAL FOR THEM. THEIR ACTIONS, ATTITUDES, AND
INTERACTIONS WITH EACH OTHER WILL BE OF GREAT INTEREST
TO MANY AREAS OF THE DEPARTMENT.

GROUPS AND BLOCS WITHIN THE NAM. IT IS GENERALLY
ASSUMED THAT SRI LANKA'S SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN FOR
LEADERSHIP REPRESENTS A RESURGENCE OF AN ASIAN BLOC
(INDIA, INDONESIA, SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA, WITH
YUGOSLAVIA AS AN HONORARY MEMBER) WITHIN THE NON-ALIGNED,
COMMITTED TO A MODERATE, TRADITIONAL CONCEPT OF

NON-ALIGNMENT. DOES THE SUMMIT CONFIRM THIS? DO THE
AFRICANS FORM A COHERENT GROUP, OR DOES THEIR
DIVISIVENESS AT THE OAU SUMMIT PERSIST? AMONG THE
ARABS, IN ADDITION TO THE RIFT OVER SUSPENSION OF
ISRAEL, IS THERE AN OPEC/NON-OPEC DIVISION?

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